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Polluted water could harm the Everglades.

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Building will cause habitat loss for plants and animals.

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To show that the Everglades Restoration Plan is flawed.